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SUBJECT:REQUEST TO EVACUATE BRITISH CHIEF PETTY OFFICER
ON OCTOBER 13 SUPPORT FLIGHT

REF: BUCHAREST 3712

1. DEPARTMENT AND AIR FORCE WILLING TO
ASSIST BRITISH IN MEDICAL EMERGENCY. THEREFORE, ASSUMING
NO BRITISH AIRCRAFT WILL BE AVAILABLE IN BUCHAREST PRIOR
TO DEPARTURE OF USAF SUPPORT FLIGHT ON 13 OCTOBER,
TRANSPORTATION FOR CHIEF BAKER FROM BUCHAREST TO FRANKFORT
IS AUTHORIZED. YOU SHOULD INSURE THAT BRITISH EMBASSY HAS
MADE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE CHIEF BAKER MET
AND HOSPITALIZED UPON ARRIVAL IN GERMANY. THIS
AUTHORIZATION IS FOR AIR TRANSPORTATION ONLY AND DOES
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NOT INCLUDE SUBSEQUENT HOSPITALIZATION.

2. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT BRITISH EMBASSY UNDERSTAND COMPLETELY THAT USAF IS NOT ABLE TO MAKE NORMAL MEDICAL EVALUATION OF THE PATIENT'S CONDITION PRIOR TO AIR TRANSPORTATION. THE AIRCRAFT IS NOT AERO-MEDICALLY CONFIGURED AND WILL HAVE MINIMUM EMERGENCY LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT ABOARD. MEDICALLY TRAINED ATTENDANTS WILL NOT BE ABOARD TO CARE FOR THE PATIENT (UNLESS USAF ELECTS OPTION OUTLINED BELOW). THESE ARE CONDITIONS THAT USAF WOULD NOT NORMALLY ACCEPT. WE REQUEST YOU INSURE THAT

BRITISH EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS USAF IS UNDERTAKING THIS MISSION ONLY TO ACCOMMODATE THE BRITISH IN A SITUATION THEY'RE UNABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY HANDLE IN ANY OTHER MANNER, AND, THEREFORE, USAF AND USG ARE UNABLE TO BEAR ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR EFFECT FLIGHT MAY HAVE ON PATIENT'S CONDITION.

3. FOR USAF/SURGEON GENERAL: REF MSG INDICATES AIRCRAFT IS FULLY LOADED ON LEG INBOUND TO BUCHAREST. HOWEVER, IF BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE CONCERNING PATIENT'S CONDITION IT IS YOUR OPINION THAT PRESENCE OF MEDICALLY TRAINED PERSONNEL DURING FLIGHT IS IMPERATIVE, USAF RECOMMENDS THAT PASSENGERS OR CARGO BE DISPLACED AS NECESSARY TO ACCOMMODATE MINIMUM ESSENTIAL NUMBER OF MEDICAL ATTENDANTS INBOUND. IF THIS COURSE OF ACTION SELECTED, AMEMB BUCHAREST MAY BE ABLE TO SECURE WAIVER OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL CREWMEMBERS. KISSINGER

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